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have been current recently regarding the use of bribery to accomplish the consummation of the negotiations for the transfer f the Danish West Indies to the United States and ordered an investigation made of the charges made by Walter Christmas. agent of the Danish Government, that he used money to buy the votes of members of Congress and to influence other prominent citizens and press associations in the United States. A resolution to secure this was introduced by Mr. Richardson, the Democratic leader, who supported it with extracts from an alleged secret and confidential report by Christmas to his Government, giving names and details, and from Danish newspapers discussing the report.

Mr. Richardson read some extracts from the report of Christmas, whom he denounced as "a corrupt bargainer" and also extracts from Danish newspapers, saying that Christmas was provided with about \$500,000 or 10 per cent. of the purchase price of

The House refused to heed Mr. Cannon's suggestion that the matter go over until to-morrow, after the members had had an opportunity to read the documents referred to, and adopted the resolution

The committee to make the investigation was promptly named by Speaker Henderson, consisting of Mesers. Dalzell of Pennsylvania, Hitt of Illinois, Cousins of Iowa, McCall of Massachusetts, Republicans, and Richardson of Tennessee, Dinsmore of Arkansas and Cowherd of Missourl, Democrats.

Mr. Dalzell, chairman of the committee to investigate the Christmas matter, informed some of his colleagues that he would call a meeting soon after copies of the papers in the case were put in his The investigation would hen be pushed as rapidly as possible.

Mr. Gardner of New Jersey, responding to inquiries, said that it was quite probable that he was the Gardner mentioned in the Christmas report. One day, he said, a man and woman were introduced to him in his committee room by a newspaper man. Their names were long and foreign and he did not remember them; but the card that the man left, as he remembered, comprised four or five names, one of which he thought was Christmas At a later day the same man and woman called at the House and secured from him a card to the reserved gallery. That was the beginning and end of his acquaintance with them. It was probable, added Mr. Gardner, that the introduction was sought to enable Christmas to say that he was

Gardner, that the introduction was sought to enable Christmas to say that he was requainted with the members.

In the report dated Oct. 1, 1900, to the Danish Government, Capt. W. Christmas-Direknick-Holmfeldt, for such his full name appears to be, tells how he became interested in the transfer of the West Indian islands to the United States. His grandfather, Admiral Christmas, invested his whole fortune in St. Croix and was his whole fortune in St. Croix and was ruined. In 1893 Christmas began his active labors in connection with the disposal of the island, trying to induce a German syndicate to buy St. Johns.

In 1899, he says, he found that a German Committee had been trying since 1897 to

sell all the islands to the United States. Through Neils Gron, a native Dane and naturalized citizen of the United States. this committee was in touch with a number of American financiers, H. H. Rogers, Mr Flint and others. This committee, Christmas says, worked with "the knowledge and full authority of the Danish Minister of Finance, and the Minister had given his consent to let the committee dispose of 10 per cent. of the sale price for furthering the project, since it was taken for granted that the political conditions in America were such that an affair like the sale of the islands could not be carried through without this committee was in touch with a number islands could not be carried through without a substantial expenditure of money."

further declares that Rogers expressed his willingness to put the matter through Congress for 10 per cent. of the price, the house of J. P. Morgan and the private bank in Copenhagen to represent the Danish Government. The Spanish war put a stop to negotiations at that period. when Christmas took up the matter, be says, he wanted the Prime Minister to permit him to use the same amount of the purchase price and to name the sum that Denmark would take for the islands.

The Prime Minister, after expressing profound disgust at the necessity of using

profound disgust at the necessity of using money to accomplish anything in the United States, but admitting its existence, and warning Christmas that the King was opposed to the sale of the islands, gave Christmas such assurances that he says he felt himself at liberty to draw the conclusion that the Prims Minister and Minister of Finance desired nothing better than the transfer of the islands on conditions fair to the inhabitants, and was willing to place a portion of the sale price to further the negotiations in question at the disposition of "the private initiative," In October, 1869, Christmas vame to r, 1899, Christmas came to He says Washington.

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CHRISTMAS'S BRIBERY STORY.

Nov. 28, he says, he received letters from the Secretary, including one of introduction to Ambassador Choate at London. He sailed for Europe, saw the Ambassador, and says that Secretary White went with him incognito to Copenhagen to discuss the matter with the Danish officials. Mr. White's interviews with the Prime Minister were satisfactory and he departed, saying that in his opinion the islands would belong to the United States within a year. Christmas sailed for the United States within a year. Christmas sailed for the United States of introduction to Rogers and Gron. The former, he says, declined to commit himself as to the sum he wanted for his assistance in the affair, but requested him to see Gron, adding

see Gron, adding:
"Now, Mr. Christmas, I don't know if

"Now, Mr. Christmas, I don't know if we come to an agreement or not, but mind you, this island business will never pass through Congress without my consent. I am able to swing twenty-six votes in the Senate, and don't you forget it."

"I sought next Mr. Niels Gron," the report continued. "He leads a more mysterious existence than any man I know. He calls himself a journalist, but is not connected with any paper. Most people look upon him as a kind of secret agent, either in the service of the police or else in one or other company's service; but no one, in fact, knows anything about his means of existence or his efforts."

Gron wanted Christmas to take \$25,000 and leave the matter in his hands, but Christmas refused, and in turn offered Gron and Rogers \$200,000, which they refused.

Gron continued to fight Christmas, and

Gron continued to fight Christmas, and was aided by the Danish Minister, Mr. Brun, who, Christmas says, was his worst

enemy.

At this point the agent's dealings with Congress appeared in the report. He met, he says, Senators Depew, Lodge, Clark (of Montana) and Bacon, and Representatives Alexander, Gardiner and others. They fixed the sum to be paid for the islands at \$4,000,000, as the Prime Minister had desired. On Jan. 30 he telegraphed: "To-morrow the House will vote \$4,000,000 for buying the islands."

In his Congressional labors Christmas In his Congressional labors Christmas says he had "as especial assistants two men, C. W. Knoz, who was an intimate friend of Senator Mark Hanna, and Richard P. Evans, a lawyer in Washington, who represented Mr. Gardiner and his friends in the House."

Mr Bryan figures in the report. Christ-

Mr Bryan figures in the report. Christmas says;

I had, in the beginning of March, a meeting with Mr. Bryan, the Democratic party's candidate to the Presidency. He agitated especially against McKinley's imperialistic policy, and I was afraid that he might oppose the purchase of the Danish West Indies. Mr. C. W. Knox obtained for me a meeting with Mr. Bryan in a train between Baltimore and Philadelphia. I had a ten minutes' conversation with him, and secured his assurance that he would not oppose the sale. Mr. Bryan considered the purchase of the islands as a military strategic necessity which had nothing whatever to do with politics.

Christmas, in the meantime, according to the report, had been practically aban-

to the report, had been practically aban-doned by the Danish Prime Minister, and on March 13 he wrote a note bitterly comon March is he wrote a note bitterly com-plaining of the treatment he had received. It became apparent, he says, that noth-ing could be accomplished at that sexion of Congress, and he determined to return to Denmark.

Those persons and press associations who previously were my assistants are still. I have reduced the different sums of which I am now the only guarantor in such a way that I can now manage to get along with a third of the commission promised me. That I did in order to be able to give the gentlemen, Rogers and Gron, the large amount, two-thirds of the 10 per cent. commission, which they demanded.

After his return to Denmark Christmas After his return to bennary Christmas had a stormy interview with the Prime Minister, which terminated, he says, in an unpleasant manner for both parties, the Prime Minister saying that it was not in his power to secure satisfaction to Christmas for his betrayal of him as he had but two days longer to says.

two days longer to serve.

Gron has furnished Representative Richardson with an affidavit that he had made the translation into English of the so-called report and that it was a true one; that he had also translated the news-paper articles quoted; that Christmas had admitted over his signature that the copy published in the Danish papers was correct and that he (Gron) was in Copenhagen from Dec. 7, 1901, to Feb. 15, 1902.

PART OF THE STORY TRUE. The Extent of Christmas's Connection With Danish West Indian Treaty.

WASHINGTON, March 27 .- Christmas, whose full name is Walter Christmas-Dirckick-Holmfeldt, was an officer of the Danish Navy, who, according to his own from that service. He came to Washington in October, 1899, and it was announced in the newspapers at the time that his surpose was to negotiate the sale of the enish Antilles to the United States. His statement that he called on Secretary Hay and endeavored to interest him in his mission is true.

He told Mr. Hay that he had no official away. onnection with the Danish Government, out was in a position, through a friend in the Ministry at Copenhagen, to bring about the resumption of negotiations and the ultimate sale of the islands to be United States. Mr. Hay declined to deal with any person not an accredited representative of Denmark.

Subsequent / Christmas secured from Mr. Hay a note of identification to the American Embassy in London, and on the basis his representations Mr. Henry White, ret Secretary of the Embassy, was sent Copenhagen by Secretary Hay to make quiries as to whether the Danish Govern-ent would sell its West Indian possessions. According to the information obtained here, Mr. White was met in Copenhagen by Christmas, who accompanied him to the Foreign Ministry, but was not present at Mr. White's interview with the Minister the information

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The understanding here is that Christmas ent only to the door of the Minister's ent with his White. The impulsies which fine with his resulted in the initiation of the White made restricted in the mittaction official pegictionistic for the sein of the

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CANFIELD'S PLACE IS CLOSED.

DOORS BOLTED AFTER STORIES OF TALL ROULETTE PLAY.

Police Captain Lantry Says He Investigated These Stories, but Couldn't Get the Least Evidence to Justify Herote Measures - Canfield Is in Europe.

Statements have been printed recently to the effect that there has been high play roulette by members of some of the fashionable clubs in the house at 5 East Forty-fourth street. The street directory gives that house as the residence of Richard Canfield. Mr. Canfield is in Europe. To be more specific, he is at Monte Carlo. It was evident last night that the master of the house was away, for the shutters were closed tightly and the men who called there shortly after 9 o'clock were unable

Police Captain Lantry of the East Fifty first street station was asked vesterday afternoon if he'd ever heard that 5 East Forty-fourth street was a gambling house. He said he had and added:

"And I've been trying to get evidence against the place for two years or more, and never a bit have I been able to get. read these stories about young Reginald Vanderbilt and a party of friends from the Knickerbocker Club going around there the other night and how young Vanderbilt lost something like \$100,000. It's my duty to investigate such things if they happen in my precinct."

"What did you do?" the captain was

what an asked.
"I went right to headquarters. I sent at once to the residence of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt at 1 West Fifty-seventh street, where, I am told, young Mr. Vanderbilt lives. My man asked to see the young man. The servant said:

Residuald is not in town.

man.
"'Oh, she cannot be disturbed,' says

the servant.

"'Well, do you know if it's true that young Mr. Vanderbilt lost a lot of money around at Canfield's place?' asked my man."
"That's just a newspaper yarn,' eays
the servant. 'Nothing in it. Nothing at

"I was up against it there, all right, but "I was up against it there, all right, but I was going as far as I could and so I sent to the Knickerbocker Club to ask if any of the members had ever gambled or lost money at Canfield's. Whoever talked with my man down there was sure that no member of that club ever gambled anywhere, and as for Canfield's, they believed they had heard of such a place, but weren't sure.
"Now what are you going to do in a case." "Now what are you going to do in a case like that? I can't get in there, and if my men tried to they'd get thrown out. But I'd like to get some real evidence against the place, and if I ever do, do you think that I'd stop for the millionaires that are said to go to the place? Not much. Just give the evidence on which to get a warrant and I'll break in every door in the place."

Last spring District Attorney Jerome. Last spring District Attorney Jerome, who was just a raiding Justice then, ex-pressed a similar desire to get evidence against 5 East Forty-fourth street. In

against 5 East Forty-fourth street. In speaking of the place to a Sun reporter he said:

"I'd give a pretty penny to get evidence against Canfield's, but it's just about impossible Some of the best-known men in town members of the best-known from whom I can get evidence. And the fellows who would give the evidence can't get in any more than a stranger could get in any more force his way into than a stranger could way into my parior, and there

FOUND DYING IN A WAGON. Mysterious Death of Marshall Cowper-

thwait Who Had Just Been Married. MOUNT HOLLY, N. J., March 27.—Another murder case is just reported in Burlington county, which has distinguished itself in this line during the past few months. This time the victim is Marshall, a son of Lewis Cowperthwait, a farmer of Medford township, who was found unconscious in his father's stable this afternoon, suffering from the effects of chloral or some similar drug. He died without regaining consciousness. He left home on Monday last to go to Atsion, where he had secured admissions, was dismissed in disgrace a place in the employ of the Central Rail-

a place in the employ of the Central Railroad of New Jersey, and he did not expect
to return home until Sunday next.

His family knew nothing of his return
until they found him dying in a wagon
in the stable in the rear of the house. No
one had seen him drive in, nor could any
one be found who had met him onthe road,
although it is reported to-night that he
was conveyed to his father's home by two
men who left him in the wagon and ran
away. Dr. Sharp thought the man was
suffering from the effects of poison.
Cowperthwait was about 25 years of
age. A few weeks ago he was married
at Vincentown to a young woman of the
name of Bennett. Immediately after the
ceremony they quarrelied over sometrivial

ceremony they quarrelled over sometrivial matter, and decided then and there to separate, since which time Cowperthwait had been making his home with his father

GENTLEMEN CONVICTS NOW Jersey's Polished Burgiars Will Shine for a Few Years in State's Prison.

Jersey City's gentlemanly burglars, who had lots of fun breaking into houses, talking to women and sick men congratulating mothers on their pretty children and departing with small amounts of money, were sentenced to the State Frison yea-terday by Judge Biair in the Court of Gen-eral Sessions, Jersey City Thomas F Croughan, who piesded guilty of four largiaries, got these years The Court earl that ierlioney had been shown to him rande it many for the police to capture his communication. Louis Croughes. Thomas of brother, was sentenced to time reaso and William tarty to twoice years. They more should bus tunn talbut and no barskense at three: thought that the subget ebusid

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Takes \$18,500 for His Leg-But Central Couldn't Buy the Other One for That.

NEW ROCHELLE, March 27 .- Peter Murphy. one of the worst injured survivors of the Park avenue tunnel wreck, who declined to be rescued from the telescoped passenger car, after he was told that his removal would cause timbers to fall and imperil the lives of others, has settled his claim for damages against the New York Central

Mr. Murphy had this to say, this after-noon: "If I had both of my legs and the New York Central should offer me its whole line from New York to Buffalo I would not part with them, but now that I have lost one of them the only thing for me to do was to make the best settlement possible. A thousand dollars is worth more to me in my present condition than \$2,000 would be two years from now.

The injured man is still in an invalid's chair and in the past few days friends have wheeled him through the streets of New Rochelle, where he has been busy shaking hands and responding to congratulations. His only permanent injury is the loss of his left leg below the knee.

It is reported that the father of Arthur Edward Mills, a young travelling salesman and member of the New York Athletic Club, who was killed instantly, settled for \$12,000 in order to get the accident out of his mind. Mr. and Mrs. Mills have gone to Europe.

\$48,000 FOR THE POPE.

Cabled From Here to Rome as Part of Peter's Pence Offerings.

Although the regular annual Peter's Pence collections have not been taken up yet in the Archdiocese of New York, the sum of \$48,000 has been already forwarded from here to Rome for the support of the Pope. This money was obtained by levying assessments on each parish in accordance with its financial standing and was cabled directly to Cardinal Rampolla, Papal Secretary of State. on the day of the recent pontifical mass of thinksgiving for the Holy Father in St. Patrick's Cathedral, which was attended by all the Bishops of the province. The acknowledgement of the receipt of the money was sent, it is said, by Bishop Farley,

Special effort is being made this year all over the world to establish a record in the amount of the Peter's Pence offerings. It is thought that the total of the offerings from the New York Archdiocese will reach \$100,000. The see is one of the richest in the world and is said to contain about 1,000,000 Catholics, many of whom possess great wealth.

The total of the Peter's Pence from all nations last year was \$450,000. This country alone will probably contribute this year as much as all the world combined gave in 1901.

PARK AVE. BLASTING STOPPED. No More to Be Done Until Experts Examine Tunnel.

The usual Thursday meeting of the Rapid Transit Board was postponed until Saturday afternoon because of the inability of the Mayor and Comptroller to be present yesterday. The committee of the Park avenue property owners, Contractor McDonald and Sub-Contractor Shaler have been invited to attend the meeting.

President Orr in sending word of the meeting every facility would be given to the committee to make examinations in the tunnel by their en-gineers and experts. He promised also that no blasting should be done in the neighborhood until the committee had been heard by the Rapid Transit Commission. Chief Engineer Parsons sent one of his assistants yesterday to make borings under the foundations of the houses that collapsed for samples of the sand and

MRS. DALE MARRIED TOO SOON. Her Husband's Divorce Decree Hasn't Been Signed Yet in Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 27.-When Mrs. Elizabeth Howe Dale remarried in New Jersey, the day after Judge Neely had granted a divorce to her husband, Hervey S. Dale, Western manager of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company of Maine, she committed bigamy, according to legal authorities The divorce decree wasn't signed. Joseph M. Noonan, her Eastern selicitor, communicated to her the news that the decree had been entered. Misled by the information Mrs. Dale

once was married to Robert Waller, he with Emmet Corrigan, had been named r her husband as corespondent. Her latake, however, does not relieve her of the technical crime.
W. W. Whoeleck, attorney for Mr. Dale,

says that he has not yet drawn up the de-cree and until it is made and emersel the divorce is not in effect. He does not think that the woman's hasty action will result any complications

ANSWERTO LETTER IN A BOTTLE.

Soldier From Philippines Threw R Overboard in 1900 Havellan Found it. Joseph Milier of Whitestone, L. L., has get heard from a letter which he threw contiound in a tentile in the Facilie Ocean writte recurning from the Philippine Islands as a soldier on the transport. Hancock to

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Miss Julie Lamont, the daughter of Lot-McCellan, principal of the Fire Mile River | Daniel it Lemont has suffered a surious.

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TUNNEL HERO MURPHY SETTLES. PRISONED CARFUL VACCINATED BOUGHT BY JAMES HENRY SMITH.

LOCKED DOORS AND A FAST RUN TO THE POLICE STATION.

Alleged Doctor With a Goatee Though He Discovered Case of Smallpox Among Passengers - Car Run to Police Station-Threats of Damage Suits

There were twenty-five passengers of southbound Fordham trolley car which reached 180th street and Third avenue about 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. One of these passengers was a middle-aged man who sat up in a corner and who had a rash on his face. Another was a man who had a goatee and who said that he was a physician from Wakefield.

As soon as the man with the grater had got a good look at the man with the rash he made a break for the front door and said to the motorman:

"Go ahead at double speed until you reach a police station. There is a man inside who has got smallpox."

He told the same thing to the conductor He told the same thing to the conductor and had him close the rear door and lock it. The car was taken down to 177th street, switched over to Rathgate avenue and brought up within a few steps of the Tremont police station. Then the man with the goatee went inside and told Sergt. Eagan that there was a smallpox case on the car. The sergeant sent out six policemen, who brought the twenty-five passengers into the police station. The man with the rash was put out in the yard under guard and then the sergeant telephoned to the Heulth Department for a vaccinator.

Dr. Talley responded and started in to vaccinate the passengers right away. Several of them demurred, but Dr. Talley finally got them all to submit. Then the doctor went out and took a look at the "oase."

case."
"Why, said Dr. Talley, "this man hasn't "Why," said Dr. Talley, "this man hasn't got the smallpox. You've put these people to a let of trouble for nothing."

When the other twenty-four passenger heard of this they expressed their feelings against the doctor with the goatee very liberally. Several of them threatened to sue him, the police and the Health Pepartment. The doctor with the goatee refused to give his name.

CRAZED BY THE BURNS CASE Bride of Three Months Tries to Murder Husband and Then Kills Herself.

refused to give his name.

Annie Isaacs, a young bride of three months, fired seven shots yesterday at her husband in his liquor saloon at 116 Madison street. A half hour later she killed herself in the rear room of the Madison street police station by swallowing carbolic acid. The husband was not injured. They lived in two rooms in the rear of the saloon.

According to the husband, she was insanely jealous of him and they quarrelled frequently. She used to soold him for going with other girls. He never did, he says.

Since the Florence Burns case attracted so much notice the wife argued constantly with her notice the same and argued argued. She with her husband about a girl's rights. She used to read only that part of the news-paper stories which dwelt on the innocence of the Burns girl. "There'll be another of the Burns girl. "There'll Florence Burns case soon," sh husband last Wednesday night. " she told her

husband last Wednesday night.

Isaacs was alone in the saloon yesterday when his wife rushed from the back room and opened fire on him. She fired three times at him with a small revolver, which belonged to her. Two of the shots lodged in the wall and the other struck the floor. Isaacs fied to the street, where he found Policeman Meade and they returned to the select. In the meantime the woman had saloon. In the meantime the woman had got hold of her husband's revolver which was in a drawer behind the bar. She began President Orr in sending word of the postponement of the meeting to Mr. Devoe, the chairman of the property owners' committee yesterday, said that in the interval She was then taken to the Madison street police station, where there is no matron, and after her pedigree was taken she was sent into the back room. From there went into the toilet room and drank the

DIED LIKE M'AULIFFE.

But Doody Sald He Was Assaulted by Conductor and Motorman.

An investigation will be made into the death of James Doody of 2438 Eighth avenue, who died yesterday in the J. Hood Wright Hospital. His death was similar in many respects to that of James McAu liffe, but there is no evidence to show that he had carned the enmity of the police. He was found last Saturday night, lying unconscious on the sidewalk at 176th street He was found last Saturday hight, lying unconscious on the sidewalk at 179th street and Amsterdam avenue, by Policeman Gray of the West 152d street station.

Doody told his wife that he fell askep in an Amsterdam avenue car, and got into a dispute with the conductor and motorman. He said they assaulted him and carried him to the street, which was the last he remembered.

WERTHEIMER FOUND GUILTY. Convicted With Two Associates of Setting His Factory on Fire.

READING, Pa., March 27.-At 11 o'clock -night the jury which for ten days has been hearing the cases against three parties charged with conspiracy in burning the Werthelmer shirt-walst factory here at Werthelmer shirt-watst factory here at midnight on Saturday, Sept. 15, 1900, to collect \$65,000 insurance money, returned a verdict of guilty. The men convicted are N. S. Werthelmer, formerly of Reading, now of New York, Sylvan Friedlander, formerly of this city, new of Newark, N. J., and Daniel Begert, of Newark, N. J.,

PRIDEMICS ON WARSHIP.

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The Millionaire Will Make a Play Place of Dickel's Riding Academy.

The property occupied by Dickel's Riding Academy on Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth streets, between Sixth and Seventh avenues has been bought by James Henry Smith, who inherited a fortune a couple of years ago, said to be about \$50,000,000. The riding academy is to be replaced with a building which is to be used in a variety of ways for entertaining the bachelor wner's friends.

On the ground floor will be a stable with entrances on both streets, which will allow of carriages passing through the building. The next floor will be arranged for tennis and squash courts, and above wil' be apartments to be used solely for entertaining.

The academy property comprises eight lots and was bought through McVickar & Co. for \$300,000. The new building will cost probably \$200,000. Mr. Smith purchased the old Benedict house at 6 West Fifty-third street, just off Fifth avenue, about a year ago for something over

RYAN ESCAPES FROM JAIL. The Man Wanted as Witness in Election

Cases Against Tammany Leaders. POUGHKEEPSIE, March 27 .- James Ryan alias Edward Stevens, escaped from the Dutchess County jail between 12 o'clock

Dutchess County jail between 12 o'clock last night and 6 o'clock this morning by sawing a bar in a window in the upper corridor on the west side of the building and squeezing through an aperture 9 by 14 inches in dimension. He lowered himself to the ground by a knotted rope.

Ryan is a long sought witness in the election cases in New York, involving James J. Frawley, a Tammany leader in the Thirty-third Assembly district, and John J. Dietz, a Tammany Alderman in the same district. He was held here on a charge of grand larceny. Supt. McCullagh of New York had taken legal measures to prevent Ryan from getting free in case he should be discharged by the Grand Jury. It is believed that Ryan had friends to help him make good his escape after he got out of jail.

HORSEWHIPPED BY A WOMAN. Ohio Official Chastised by a Widow Who

Says He Promised to Wed Her. CINCINNATI, March 27.-James Richardson, superintendent of the State Free Employment Bureau, was horsewhipped in his office here to-day by Mrs. Hattie Soofield, who says that for four years and until recently Richardson had been devoted to her and her child of 20 months. She had arranged a trip to Chicago and sent word to Richardson to come to see her before she left. He did not come, but sent a young

woman to say that he was better employed. This enraged Mrs. Scofield and buying a whip she went to Richardson's office, which was crowded with men and women. and vigorously applied the whip to him.

Both were arrested and released on bond.

Richardson's stenographer, Mrs. Scofield says, is the cause of the trouble, but she denies Mrs. Scofield's jealousy charges. enies Mrs. Scofield's jealousy charges. Mrs. Scofield is a widow and says Richardson promised to marry her.

SURWAY SIGNAL SYSTEM

General Manager Bryan Says It Will Cost \$1,000,000 - Not Yet Ordered. PITTSBURG, Pa., March 27.-Several officials of the Rapid Transit Construction Company of New York spent the day here inspecting the work being done for the company at the Westinghouse works in East Pittsburg and Wilmerding, and in going over the works of the Union Switch and Signal Company in Swissvale.

E. B. Bryan, general manager, said to-ight before leaving for New York: "The contract for furnishing the interlocking and signalling systems will probably be let to the Union Switch and Signal Company, but not for some time, as we have not decided on the amount of material we shall need. The contract will be about \$1,000,000, and it will more than a year to manufacture the mate

30 BUILDINGS BURNED.

Fire Makes a Big Sweep in Peckville, Pa. - One Fireman Killed. SCHANTON, Pa., March 27.-One life was lost and thirty buildings were burned in a fire which started at 1:30 o'clock this morning in the town of Peckville, seven miles from this city. Three fire companies from this city checked the progress of the fire, finally overcoming it this afternoon. The life lost was that of Fireman William Scott, who was caught in a narrow passage-way between two burning buildings and overcome with smoke. Before he could be rescued he inhaled the flames. He died this afternoon. The fire was of incendiary

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St. Louis Councilman Sentenced to Three

Years' Imprisonment. Sr. Louis, Mo., March 27. The first of the boodling cases, that of Councilman Emil Meysenburg, indicted for bribery in having received the sum of \$9,000 from Philip Stock, legislative agent of the Sub-urban Railway, for aiding in the passage of Council idii No. 44, resulted in a verdict of guilty, with three years imprisonment in the pentitentiary as the punishment. The jury retired at 6 is and returned one hour later with their verdict

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WASHINGTON.

It Was to the Effect That Germany Had Stated in a Communication to 3his Country That She Would Not Oppose Anything That Russia Desired.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, March 27.—A despatch from Berlin says that the United States has been sounding the German Government to see now far the latter was willing to go to maintain the open door in China. A definite statement was requested. Germany's reply was that while it stood for the open door it would not oppose anything that

Russia really desired. WASHINGTON, March 27 .- This Government recently had its attention called to reports that Germany intended to maintain exclusive trade relations with the Shantung peninsula, which is nominally

within its sphere of interest. The Government has become satisfied that Germany has manifested no such intention and stands by her previous assurance that she will recognize the open door. Under the agreement of the Powers, as the outcome of the Pekin negotiations, all of them are bound to the open door principle.

CANCER CURED BY X-RAYS. Dr. Addyman of St. George's Hospital, London, Announces a Case.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON March 27 -Dr. F. T. Addyman one of the physicians at St. George's Hospital, announces that he has completely cured a bad case of cancer, the patient being a woman, by the use of X-rays. Lon-

don physicians are greatly interested. It is known that Dr. Addyman has been experimenting with cancer for a long time. and his claim that he has effected a complete cure is treated with respect Relief has been obtained in many cases by the use of the rays, but hitherto no claim of a cure has been made

CHARLES HAWTREY HURT. He Slipped on Steamer's Deck and Injured One of His Legs.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN LONDON, March 27. - Mr. Charles Hawtrey. the actor, slipped on the wet deck of the steamer St. Louis, on which he was returning from New York, and seriously injured one of his legs. He has been brought to London, and will be compelled to remain in bed for at least a fortnight.

He will be unable to produce "The President" on April 24 as he intended doing. JONES TO GO SCOT FREE.

Man Who Killed Rice Will Probably Not Be Tried for It. Charles F. Jones, the self-confessed murderer of William M. Rice, upon whose evidence Albert T. Patrick was convicted of the crime, may go free. He is to be detained long enough, anyway, to testify against David L. Short and Morris Meyer who were indicted with Patrick on the charge of forgery and who will be tried

next month. Relative to what may happen to Jones after that District Attorney Jerome said

yesterday:

I don't know what Mr. Osborne has promised Jones but the Assistant District Attorney in charge of the case has full authority in the matter and whatever he may have promised to Jones will be done. We sometimes have to let a had man so free. It is the rule have to let a bad man go free. It is the rule rather than the exception that a crimina who turns State's evidence gets absolute im-

Patrick was very talkative yesterday

and he spent the greater part of the day in the consultation room talking through the grating to reporters. He said: the grating to reporters. He said:

In my opinion Recorder Goff is an honest man but I believe that he has, from patriotic motives, the mistaken notion that severity toward the accused is server to the State. As he is a natural-born advocate he looks upon every effort of the defendant as an attempt to escape. Hence he is not capable of being an impartial Judge.

I have no fault to find with the jury. They did their duty as they saw it, but they were misled by the prosecuting attorney and by the Recorder's errors in judgment. We will get a reversal by the Court of Appeals and the case will be dismissed without another trial.

Mr. House and Mr. Moore, Patrick's

Mr. House and Mr. Moore, Patrick's lawyers, said yesterday that they wouldn't have to go outside of the Recorder's charge for ample grounds on which to appeal.

Patrick's sister and his landlady, Mrs. Francis, both called on him yesterday the Tombs. Both had recovered to

my brother and so's my father. NOT A HOMESTEAD ENTRY. Grant to the Hyde Exploration Company

"I'm a Texan." said Miss Patrick. "So's

Cancelled. SANTA FE. N. M., March 27. The Federal land office in this city has cancelled the homestead entry of Richard Wetherell of New York, manager of the Hyde Exploration Company He had filed upon the Pueblo Bonito, Catro and Pueblo Deretoys, three of seventeen prehistoric rules in Chaco

Caffon.
The Hyde Exploration Company has erected stone buildings on the land, established a hotel for tourists and begun as cavating According to a sworn state-ment made by Wetherell, he has taken out of those rains 50,000 pieces of tarquoise, 10,000 pieces of pottery and many wooden and stone implements and savietone which were sent to the American Museum of Natural History at New York

About 500 rooms in the rains have been sconvated and 150 pit excavations have been track.

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